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Expensive Rembrandt, Dali works on campus

LUKE SHANNO
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Most people don't compare Wartburg to the Louvre, but they might be tempted to make a comparison when they learn Wartburg owns an original Rembrandt etching and an original piece of art by Salvador Dali.

The value of the works - and others on campus - is believed to be significant, and an art acquisition committee is attempting to evaluate and catalog the artwork.

"The art acquisition committee was appointed by President Jack Ohle one year ago to catalog the art owned by the college and to make recommendations on the

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English faculty writes novel

Paul Hedeen writes 'The Knowledge Tree'

AMANDA LUNDBERG *STAFF WRITER*

Paul Hedeen, professor of English, will soon have his first fictional book, "The Knowledge Tree," published.

The book is based on the character Friedrich "Freddy K" Kaspar, a history professor who is on sabbatical in Germany.

Kaspar conducts research about money used to free Jewish people from concentration camps. He works for a place known throughout the book as "The Institute."

Kaspar also works to win the affection of his much younger assistant, Margaret.

As the plot gets thicker and the sexual tension heightens, Kaspar finds there's more to

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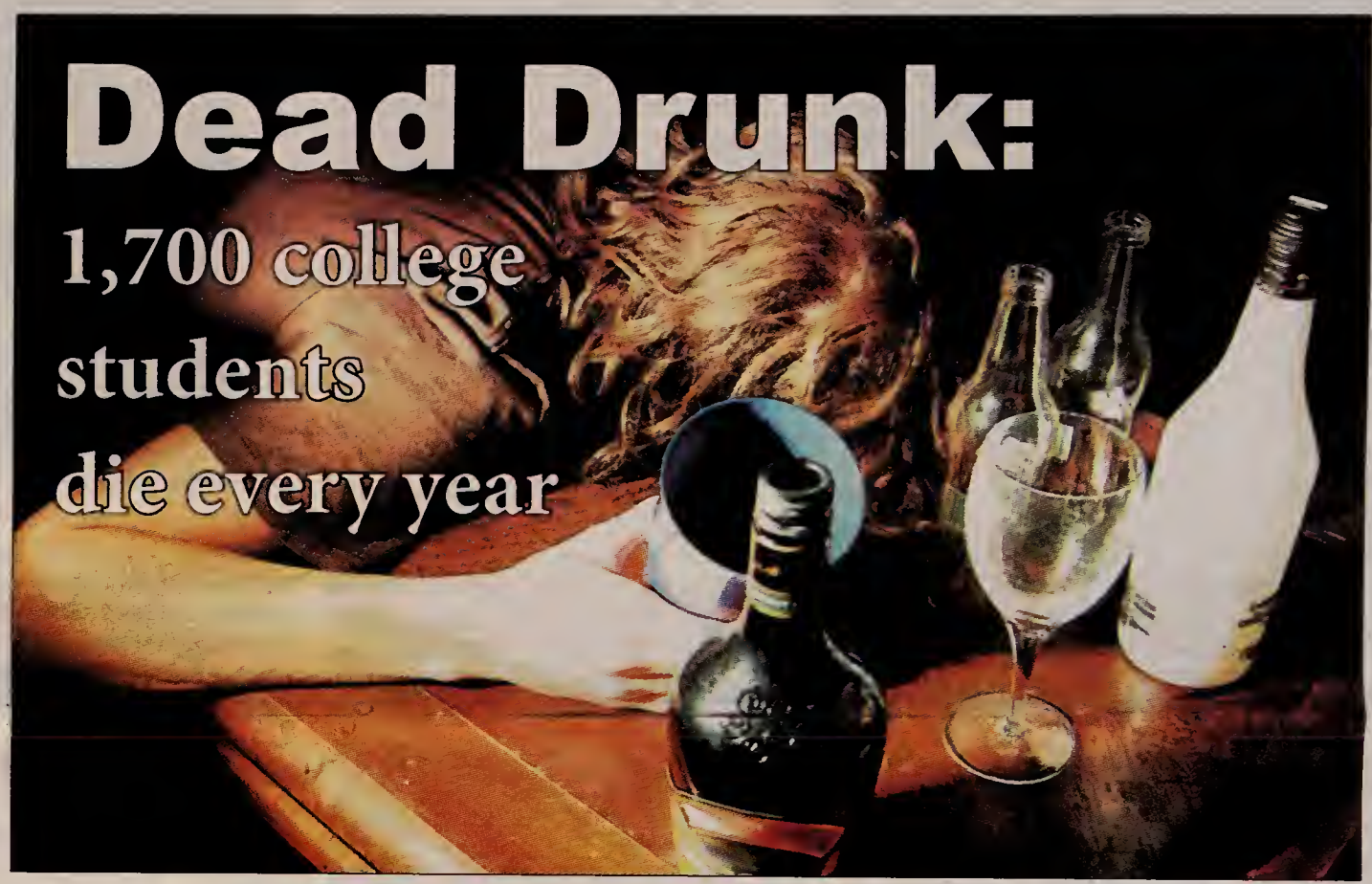
Dead Drunk:

1,700 college students die every year



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KRYSTAL FOWLER *MANAGING EDITOR*

Some Wartburg students struggle with alcohol-related problems every year, but no Wartburg student has died—yet.

Nationally, approximately 1,700 college students die every year due to alcohol-related injuries, including motor-vehicle accidents and serious alcohol-related incidents continue to increase on campuses.

Last week, Alcohol Wisdom and Real Education, a campus-based organization, attempted to raise students' awareness of over-indulgence.

The organization placed a table in the student center. They encouraged students to sign a declaration that affirmed the students' awareness of the dangers of alcohol. Students were also asked to wear fatal vision goggles, which are goggles that simulate the experience of being drunk.

AWARE president, Stephanie King, was happy with the response and felt the week was a success.

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Tough political issues tackled during debate

WHITNEY FREE *STAFF WRITER*

Sen. Bob Brunkhorst, R-Iowa, and Sen. Bill Dotzler, D-Iowa, joined UNI professors Kamyar Enshayan and Barry Wilson for a political forum Thursday regarding key issues in this fall's election.

The four talked about teacher requirements, organic farming, water quality, young voters and energy.

Enshayan explained that ethanol isn't as great of a resource as people think, because it is such a short-term solution.

"Plus," he said, "It is bad to use what could be food for energy."

The forum was intended for students to discuss issues, but only seven attended. About 30 community members attended and submitted questions.

A question about three important issues facing society drew different answers.

Wilson emphasized resource spending, the privatization of health care and the role of the government. Enshayan spoke on energy, adjustment to the world economy and international relations. Sen. Brunkhorst stressed democracy, energy and the world economy, and Sen. Dotzler highlighted education, job development and energy policy.

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'Making it Personal' recycling initiative begins on campus

KATIE MEYER *STAFF WRITER*

The Wartburg Recycling Committee is leading a "Making it Personal" initiative to promote recycling, reducing and reusing on campus.

"We would like to see an increase in both actual recycling as well as the awareness of the importance of recycling and reducing waste," Tammy Faux, assistant professor of social work and chair of the committee, said.

Short-term goals include educating the campus to decrease the amount of energy used, reducing the overflow residence hall trash and improving the recycling habits of students, faculty and staff.

The committee also hopes to increase the ease of recycling near residence halls and dining locations.

"We hope to increase recycling and create solid habits both as an institution and in all the members of this community," Faux said.

The recycling committee was created last year for a more centralized focus on this issue, according to Faux.

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Alcohol problems not as prevalent at Wartburg

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"I feel that the week is important because to many college students do take part in activities that involve alcohol. This week is a time to draw awareness to this popular college activity and let people know that alcohol is not all fun and games. It has the possibility to be very dangerous and possibly fatal."

Unsafe sex, vandalism and academic problems can all result from alcohol abuse.

About 25 percent of college students report having academic problems because of their drinking, including missing classes and doing poorly on exams or papers.

However, many myths still exist about alcohol use. According to the American Council for Drug Education, one in five college students doesn't drink at all.

A 2002 survey conducted by Wartburg's counseling services and Iowa State University's department of public health and safety determined 29.6 percent of Wartburg freshmen had chosen not to drink and 24 percent of all Wartburg students had not drunk alcohol during the previous year.

CJ Yerington, residence hall director for Clinton and Founders, doesn't think Wartburg has very many serious alcohol-related problems. Most incidents in the dorms are noise disturbances. However, there have been a few serious incidents, he said

"Probably, the most severe thing that we've dealt with is incidents of alcohol poisoning," Yerington said. "In my experience, I've never had any fights, any incidents where it really got out of hand."

A violation of the alcohol policy is usually handled in the residence hall where it occurred.

"The philosophy among the hall directors is, if it happens in your building, then it's your concern," he said.

If another incident occurs or the student or students involved want to appeal the decision, the matter is taken to Pete Armstrong, director of residential life.

Armstrong said he felt overall, Wartburg had a below average number of problems with alcohol. Armstrong said this year there had been fewer than 10 cases referred to him.

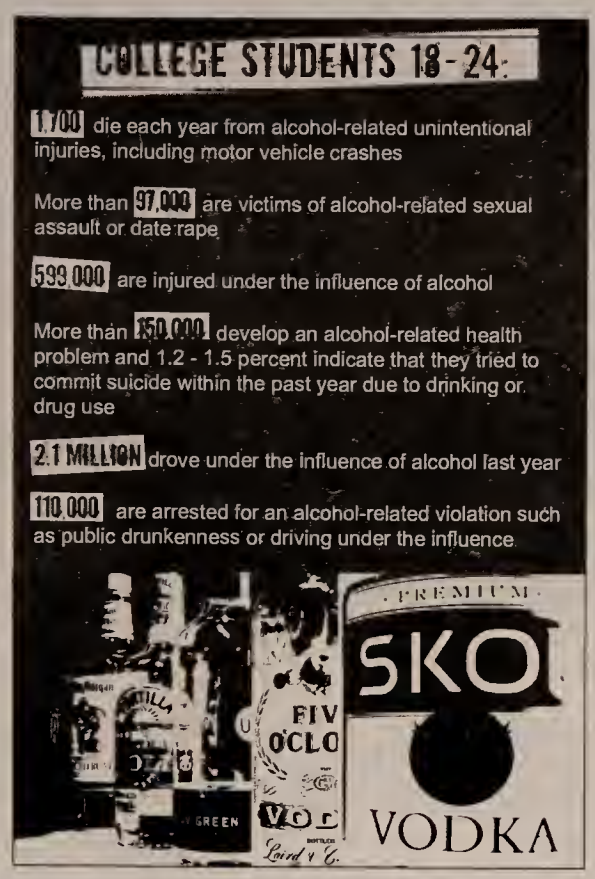
At the end of each fall term, Armstrong compiles a summary of conduct infractions. During fall 2005, 53 of the 54 cases referred to the student conduct process were alcohol or drug-related.

Almost all were given a warning and fined. Some students were recommended for assessment and counseling. No one was suspended, and the most severe punishment imposed was probation.

According to Wartburg's alcohol policy, there are three levels of alcohol violations, minor, significant and major. Students can receive warnings, fines and several other punishments, depending on the severity of the violation and the number of times a students has violated the policy.

Fines collected from alcohol violations help fund programs like AWARE. The 2005 student conduct report indicated that $2,500 in fines had been given to several campus organizations and service trips.

"AWARE wants to provide activities so that Wartburg students have something to do other than taking part in drinking," King said.



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Former Wartburg president's grandson donates art

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purchase of art in the future," Ferol Menzel, dean of faculty and member of the art acquisition committee, said.

It didn't take long to realize what treasures the college had when the Rembrandt and Dali were discovered.

"It is a thrill to have works by such well-known artists," Menzel said. "To have their work here in Waverly is very special."

The Rembrandt and the Dali are currently located in the vault in the controller's office.

According to Menzel and Barbara Fedeler, another member of the committee, the artwork is currently locked up for security reasons.

"We would like to find a way to display the Rembrandt, but it requires temperature control and being under lock and key," Menzel said. "We are investigating how this might be done."

Paul Torkelson, professor of music, has taken students from different classes to see the Rembrandt from time to time.

"I want students to be able to see it, but at the same time we don't have any place to display it," Torkelson said. "I want the students to be aware that we at least have it."

The etching, an original by Rembrandt Harmenszoon van Rijn, was a gift to Wartburg in 1992. It was donated by Dr. Steven Jobst of San Luis Obispo, Calif. and it was valued at $38,000 when it was donated. There have been no recent appraisals of the work.

Jobst's ties to Wartburg can be traced back almost a century, to the college's 11th president and 1916 graduate, C.H. Becker. Jobst is the grandson of the late Wartburg president.

The art acquisition committee is continuing to catalog all the artwork on campus and is looking forward to purchasing more.

"In general we believe that art enhances the environment in which we live and work," Menzel said.

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Professor publishes first fiction book

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the story than he anticipated. He gets caught up in a scheme with a woman named "M" as he learns more about the history of Nazi Germany.

"The Knowledge Tree" is being published by an International Indian company, Sanbun Publishers. The book will be sold in India and on Amazon.com for approximately $8. Copies can also be bought in the Wartburg Bookstore.

Hedeen has written another fictional book called "The Good Shepherd" and hopes to get that book published also.

"There is an American publishing company that is considering the book," said Hedeen. "I don't know if anything will come of it, but there are a couple of copies at different publishing houses."

Hedeen also co-wrote a nonfiction book titled "Unrelenting Readers: The New Poet-Critics." The book is a collection of poems and essays and also is available online.

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Student boasts Taekwondo world championship

Freshman earns third place spot

MATT POPOWSKI
PEOPLE/VARIETY EDITOR

Enduring a midterm exam on two hours of sleep may be many students' idea of extreme.

But Bridget Whately's third place finish in Xtreme Martial Arts (XMA) at the World Championship brings extreme to a whole new level.

Whately, a freshman, competed in the XMA tournament in Little Rock, Ark., June 24 against three other opponents. The competition involved performing a unique martial art form choreographed to music in front of three judges.

XMA differs from traditional Taekwondo because the sport requires acrobatics, gymnastics and dance, in addition to traditional techniques. XMA is critiqued on use of clean, crisp and proper technique, grabbing the audience's attention and performing in sync with the music, Whately said.

Traditional form involves sparring—physical contact with one's opponent. Points are awarded for striking each other and replicating good form.

Although Whately only began learning Taekwondo this past January, it's no surprise she has shown success. Her father, Michael, and brother, James, 14, began practicing in an American Taekwondo Association (ATA) school nearly three years ago.

Upon completing four years of competition on her high school swim team, Whately decided to take up Taekwondo lessons at the Burns' Black Belt Academy in her hometown, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Her success in XMA can also be attributed to her instructor, Mike Chaturantabut, the creator of XMA, a three-year-old discipline.

The XMA competition was held for the first time at the Word Championships in June, which, according to Whately, is one of the three major competitions in Taekwondo.

"XMA is definitely a growing discipline in ATA," she said. "It's becoming more popular."

During the strenuous one-hour-a-day practices, Whately initially enjoyed spending more time with her dad and brother, as well as making many new friends at the school.

Her training stressed fighting defensively, as well as learning life skills, some meditation and good sportsmanship. Whately elaborated on additional training benefits.

"It's a stress reliever. If I had a bad day at school I could go hit punching bags, without hurting anyone."

Whately currently holds the camouflage belt, which is the fourth level of ten. Both her dad and brother earned their first degree black belts within two-and-a-half years and now teach lessons as training instructors at the academy.

Although the nearest ATA school is 68 miles from campus, Whately plans to keep training. With assistance from an online leadership manual and e-mail correspondence with her dad, she intends to teach herself additional techniques. During school and summer breaks she will take belt tests.

"Me getting my black belt will probably take three to four years with the hiatus of me going to school here," she said.

So what does it take to "make it" in Taekwondo?

Michael Whately said, "The main quality a person must have to achieve any rank in Taekwondo is perseverance."

Roland Ferrie/*Trumpet*

Bridget Whately, a freshman, poses behind her Songahm Taekwondo World Championship XMA trophy.

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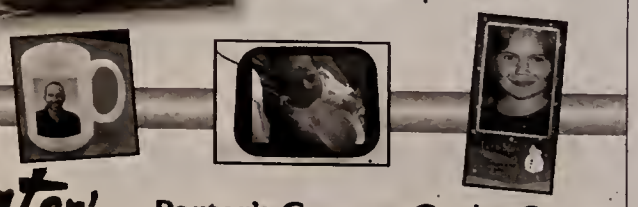

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Fall break intentions not fulfilled

Fall break is intended to be a four-day relief for students and faculty from studying, writing papers and grading tests. But it comes as no surprise that students don't actually get to enjoy their fall break.

Students often use their four-day weekend to catch up on mid-term homework assignments or to get ahead on upcoming term papers.

Break is supposed to be a joyous time, filled with hours of sleeping in and students catching up on their lack of sleep from the past seven weeks, enjoying outdoor activities with friends, spending time reading a book that is not part of an assignment, or just doing absolutely nothing.

But that never happens. What became of a break being an actual break from the rigors of college life?

No time is ideal for a break because it will almost always interrupt professors' plans for the rest of the semester. But perhaps, if fall break were a week or two earlier, students might actually get to enjoy the decent Iowa weather and take the time to enjoy being young without the pressures of job hunting or graduate school applications.

Whatever you do during your four days "off", take the time to enjoy a few minutes of fall break.

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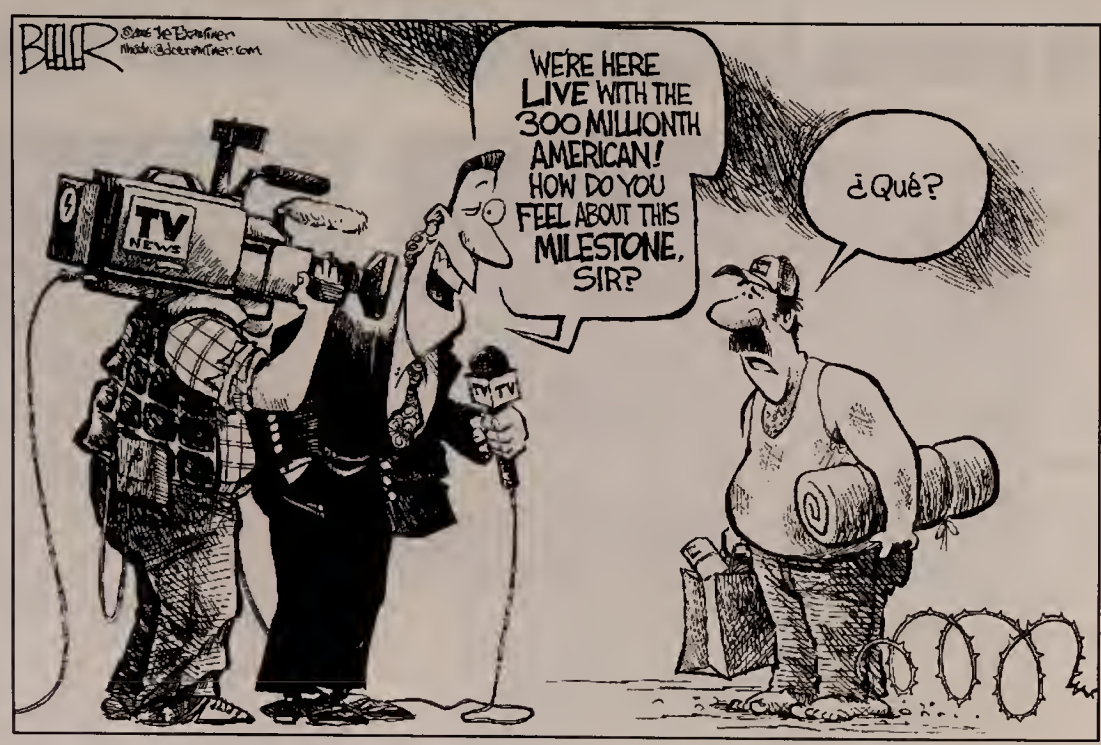
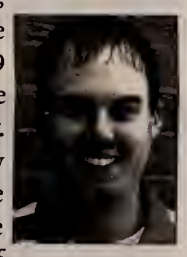


300 millionth American faces uncertain future

AARON HAGEN *EDITOR-IN-CHIEF*

Last Tuesday the U.S. population hit a cool 300 million. At approximately 7:46 a.m. eastern time, the 300 millionth person entered the U.S. Whether that was through immigration or a new birth, no one knows, but either way, it's quite an accomplishment.



To think, there are 299,999,999 other people in this country. Think of how many of those people we know. Think of the people we don't know.

The population reached 200 million in 1967, and just 29 years later, another 100 million people arrived. Experts predict that a new person comes into the U.S. every 11 seconds. That means by the time you read this far, two new people will have entered the U.S.

What will that 300 millionth person see in the next 30 years, and what will the nation/world be like when the population hits 400 million?

The first gift the child will get will be an iPod. It will be filled with bedtime songs and phonics. The child won't know what it was like before 300 cable channels. With any luck, he or she won't have to know what reality TV was.

Cars probably won't run on gas anymore. Instead, someone will develop a car that runs on something less costly. Perhaps it will be sunlight; we just better hope that the pollution hasn't covered the skies by then so the person can actually see the sun.

On the other hand, this person may never leave the house. He or she may shop online and have relationships online. Depending on where the person lives, he or she may never see a cornfield, or open land. By the time the population hits 400 million, the entire country may be filled with cities.

I know I'm only 22, and even though I will probably see some of those changes in my life, I'm not worried. I will be the "old-fashioned" guy who still goes to the grocery store and doesn't have them delivered. I'll be the "old guy" that will still be driving that vintage 2001 Chevy Malibu. Of course, if any of the "young and hip" kids say anything to me, I'll be able to laugh it off and tell them they don't remember what it was like in the glory days of 2006.

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Life enrichment found through adoption process

JOSH DOCKUM
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My name is Joshua Kim Dockum, and I am adopted. Furthermore, I am not ashamed. I am proud of my parents, and I encourage people to consider adopting.

U.S. citizens adopted 265,677 children between 1971 and 2001 from other countries, according to the Adoption Institute.

United States citizens tend to adopt more children from foreign countries following wars, periods of extreme poverty and social upheaval.

Sixty-four percent of internationally adopted children are girls, and 36 percent are boys. Most are girls from China. The Chinese government actually restricts births. Parents who have more than one child are encouraged to place girls for adoption.

Experts say that almost 90 percent of internationally adopted children are younger than 5. In 2001, nearly 75 percent of all children came from five countries; China, South Korea, Russia, Guatemala and Ukraine.

Parents considering adoption should be prepared. Children can be adopted domestically or internationally, but the process can be time-consuming and expensive.

Here are the steps that most couples follow:

•Be prepared to spend $7,000-$25,000.

•Choose an adoption agency, and be prepared to complete numerous forms.

•Get required home studies completed by social workers

•Secure the match

•Fill out foreign documentation (for the international adoption process)

•Select a girl or boy (international adoption process)

•Be prepared for follow up visits from social workers

My parents followed this process to get me from Kyunggi, South Korea. They went through the Holt Adoption Agency from Oregon.

After submitting information to the agency, they sent it to South Korea. My parents paid the initial fees to get me, so I cost my parents $20,000.

The process took my parents a year, and my mom said it "was worth it."

I encourage everyone to adopt a child because you are making such a big difference in someone's life and enriching your own life as well.

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TRUMPET/*Variety*

Josh Sinram (left) and Greg Hulse (right), who are roommates at Wartburg, use Gym 24's weight equipment and facility. Hulse began working out at the gym after Sinram encouraged him to join four weeks ago.

Abbie Lichty/*Trumpet*

Local gym provides alternatives

More than 400 members break a sweat with equipment in high-security facility

ABBIE LICHTY *STAFF WRITER*

Students are turning to an alternative source for strength training and cardio workouts in Waverly.

Gym 24 is a 24/7 fitness center that offers exercise time for a $20 monthly fee. The facility is located west of the sale barns on Hwy 3.

"I started working out at Gym 24 because as a college student, I can't always adhere to a schedule," Meg Ryan, a senior and gym member, said. "I can work out late at night or early in the morning, whenever it's most convenient for me."

Owner Mike Deneui, a Waverly native, opened the gym in July 2005 "to provide Waverly residents with quality facilities to work out in," he said.

"People don't want to worry about trying to fit a work out routine into their schedule," Deneui said. "I wanted to offer something different."

The gym boasts 400 members, and the number is growing, according to Deneui, who says his busiest time of year is on the horizon.

"There's a big increase in memberships come late fall when people don't want to be outside anymore," Deneui said.

While some Waverly residents may live beyond walking distance to the gym, some college students find the distance can easily be incorporated into their routine.

"The gym is far enough away so that I can walk or bike and be warmed up for lifting by the time I arrive," Ryan said. "It's far enough away that you can get in cardio before and after your workout."

The gym has more than a dozen machines to meet individual preferences.

Elliptical machines, treadmills and stationary bikes are positioned in front of a complete entertainment system so people can work out while watching TV or a movie.

"When I used new weight machines for the first time, I didn't worry if I was doing it correctly. I also felt less intimidated because no one else was around to watch," Ryan said.

After signing up, Ryan was given an ID number to use when she logs in. In addition to her personal identification code, a scanner also reads her thumb print. Security is a priority of Deneui's, whose gym includes cameras and motion-sensor lights.

"We have this place wired. There are cameras all over, and they're monitored every day to assure member safety," Deneui said.

In addition to owning the gym, Deneui lives in San Francisco and is the president of Network Control, a telecommunication consultant firm that owns an office in Waverly. The gym and consulting firm share one facility.

Deneui has seen an increase in business since the reconstruction of the PEC and hopes he doesn't lose customers upon completion of the new Wartburg-Waverly Sports and Wellness Center in 2007. For the time being, Deneui said he intends to preserve a positive atmosphere for students.

"For a while, we had a group of students coming in every night at 11 p.m. to work out together," Deneui said. "It's like they had they're own little 'party' right here in the gym. That's just the type of environment we want to maintain."

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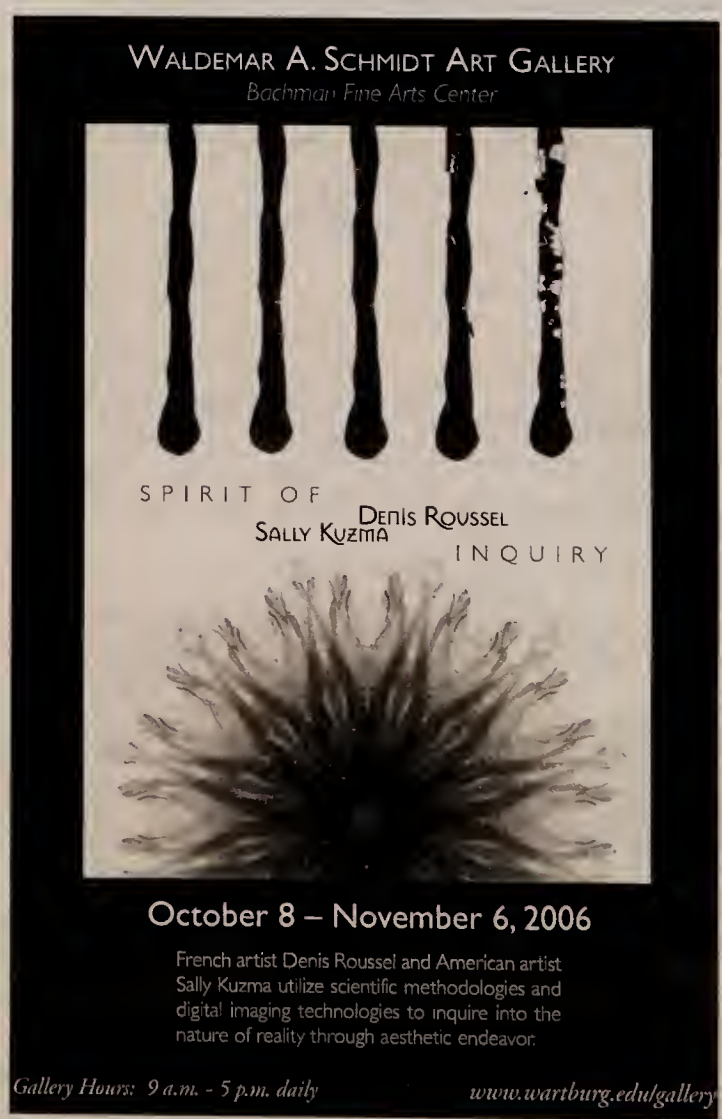

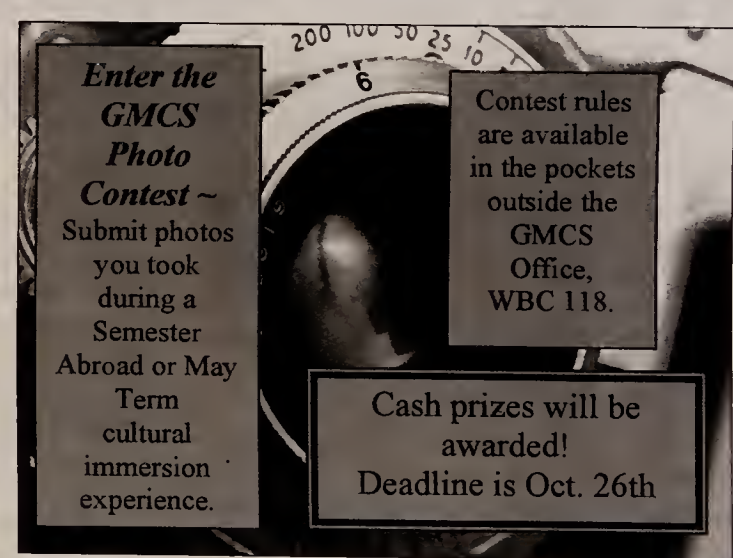

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Wartburg wrestler becomes umpire in American League

Former Wartburg student spends 38 years as umpire, makes controversial World Series call

ANDREW NOSTVICK *STAFF WRITER*

Don Denkinger is probably best known for being an umpire in baseball's major leagues for more than 30 years. But before being an umpire, he was a Wartburg Knight.

Don Denkinger

Denkinger was born and raised in Cedar Falls and entered Wartburg in the fall of 1954. The wrestling program attracted Denkinger to Wartburg after he wrestled at Cedar Falls High School.

"I thought that I could compete at that level in wrestling," Denkinger said.

His parents agreed to pay his tuition and his sisters, who were attending Wartburg, contributed to his choice.

He wrestled at Wartburg for three years, starting each year at different weight classes; 137, 147 and 157. Denkinger majored in sports management while at Wartburg, living in Vollmer his first two years.

Denkinger attended Wartburg until 1957 when he transferred to the University of Northern Iowa. His stay at UNI didn't last long. He was soon drafted into the Army.

After leaving the Army in 1959, Denkinger headed to Daytona Beach, Fla., where he attended Al Summer's School of Umpiring. He graduated in 1960.

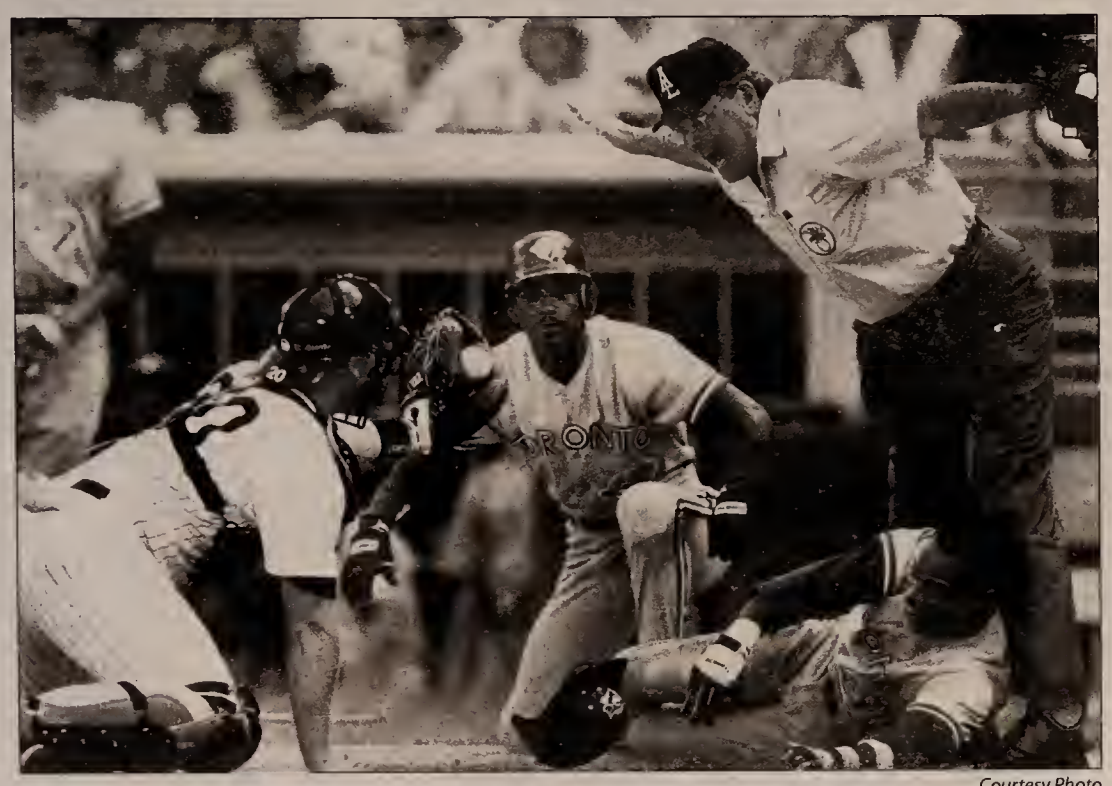
After stints in such leagues as the Alabama-Florida League, the Northwest League and the Texas League, Denkinger made it to the American League in 1969.

During his tenure as an AL umpire, Denkinger was behind home plate for many big games, including seven AL championships, three All-Star Games, and four World Series.

Denkinger is best known for the 1985 World Series. During the ninth inning of game six of the series between the St. Louis Cardinals and the Kansas City Royals, Denkinger made a controversial call at first base.

He called Royals runner Jorge Orta safe, not realizing that Cardinals reliever Todd Worrell had the ball in his glove and was at first base before Orta touched.

The Royals won that game 2-1. They would blow out the Cardinals the next night and win the World Series. The call upset many Cardinal fans, prompting some to threaten Denkinger.



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Don Denkinger calls a runner safe at home. Denkinger was an American League umpire from 1969-1998.

That wasn't Denkinger's last World Series as umpire, however. He would umpire the 1991 World Series between the Minnesota Twins and the Atlanta Braves.

He was behind the plate for game seven, when Twins ace, Jack Morris, threw 10 shutout innings. The game ended in the 10th inning when Gene Larkin hit a series-winning single.

Denkinger also had the honor of being behind home plate for the one game playoff in 1978, between the Yankees and the Red Sox.

Physically unable to perform as an umpire, Denkinger retired during the 1998 season. He plays golf and spends his winters in Arizona, occasionally coming back to see an event at Wartburg.

His nephew's son, Scott Bergman, played for the Knights basketball team and graduated last year.

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Women earn fourth straight victory after undefeated week

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and we have a lot of heart. It also built up a lot of confidence because Stout is a great team," Oswald said.

Rachel Oswald

"Playing in bad weather is always a benefit, and this win helped our team. Last year we lost and this year we fought back to come out with a great win," head coach Jim Conlon said.

Earlier in the week the Knights took on Cornell. The Knights shut out the Rams 4-0 Wednesday. Wartburg controlled the ball most of the game, as they had 29 shots on goal and held the Rams to just two shots.

Wartburg's first goal was an own-goal by the Rams' defense. Lauren Thomas kept the scoring going for the Knights after she netted a pass from Erinn North.

Rachel Oswald and Britt Cogan added goals to finish out the scoring for the Knights. The win over Cornell secured a spot in the Iowa Conference tournament for Wartburg.

The Knights finish out their regular season Saturday in a home game against Central. Game time is slated for 1 p.m.

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Team plays BV next

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tied going into halftime.

"He's a great player. They are going to make plays too," Koehler said.

Wartburg added a 22-yard field goal off the right foot of place kicker Spencer Herzberg in the third quarter.

A high snap looked like it would prevent Wartburg from getting the three points, but holder Jason Lansing grabbed the high snap and got the ball down for the points.

Lansing also came up with a big interception with under a minute left in the fourth quarter to stymie a late Kohawk drive.

"If you were to point to a key play in the game, he [Lansing] had two of them," Koehler said.

With the win the Knights push their record to 6-1 overall and 4-1 in IIAC action. The Knights take their second place standing in the Iowa Conference to Storm Lake on Saturday to take Buena Vista. Game time is 1 p.m.

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Josh Van Rees and Dan Hammes carry on a strong tradition of successful running backs at Wartburg College both on and off the field.

Running backs storm competition

LUKE SHANNO
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Thunder and Lightning.

The fear instilled by the sounds and sights of a storm is the same fear opposing defenses feel when they meet Wartburg's running back duo Dan Hammes, a senior, and Josh Van Rees, a junior, on the gridiron.

The two follow in a long tradition of successful running backs at Wartburg College, including former Wartburg backs Bobby Beatty, Justin Beatty, Trevor Shannon and Brad Hodapp. The history and tradition are reasons that both backs chose Wartburg.

"Coming in my freshman year, I met Brad Hodapp and I'd heard stories about him and Justin Beatty when they were here together," Van Rees said. "They were a one-two punch and they worked well together for the Wartburg system. I just wanted to be a part of that."

Hammes and Van Rees also are part of a system that is unique to the Wartburg football team. The Knights employ a two-running back system, where each player gets comparable playing time and carries, instead of relying on just one running back.

According to Hammes, Van Rees and Head Coach Eric Koehler, the system offers many benefits beyond a normal one running-back-system.

"It's better to have two guys getting carries and staying healthy for 10 games then to have one guy get all the carries in one game and miss several games," Koehler said.

Koehler also believes that the unusual system works well at Wartburg because of the type of players in the program.

"It [the system] works well because of the types of kids our running backs are. They are unselfish," Koehler said.

Both running backs have a different style of running. The two refer to themselves as thunder and lightning. One is a loud, powerful presence, and the other is a quick-hitting agile threat, similar to a bolt of lightning.

Hammes employs a more direct approach where he will run the ball at the defense and try to wear them down.

On the other end of the running spectrum, Van Rees utilizes his speed and shiftiness to elude the defense and make them miss tackles.

"Dan is a more physical, shoulders square, run downhill type of guy," Koehler said. "Josh is a more speed, put his foot in the ground and making people miss type of runner. You seldom see Josh get hit square."

It is no secret in the sports world when two people are fighting for a starting spot and playing time that a competitive barrier usually builds between them, but not for these two unselfish backs. They are friends on and off the field and want to help each other perform at the highest level.

"We both respect each other in the same way," Van Rees said. "Both of us are going to want to do the best we possibly can, but both of us couldn't wish the better for each other."

"We are always trying to push each other to get better. But then again I don't think there is any negativity between either of us. Josh is one of my best friends; we go hand in hand," Hammes said.

Being a senior and a two-year team captain, Hammes has assumed a leadership role that players and coaches alike respect.

"Dan's a great leader. I've been looking up to him ever since I got here," Van Rees said. "You have to respect him."

"If Dan Hammes never said a word at practice, the way he practices is the way we want all of our guys to practice," Koehler said. "He's also a vocal leader too; he's the best of both worlds."

With another year left after the conclusion of this season, Van Rees and the coaches are looking for him to fill a big spot with the departure of one half of the running back threat.

"He is going to have a lot of the load next year in the running game. There are good young guys too, but he is one of the more experienced guys so he's going to have to lead by example to show those other guys what to do," Hammes said.

"I would expect him to step forward and be the leader. We want him to be the physical kid, the tough kid, kind of take things on his shoulders," Koehler said.

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Volleyball downs Coe

AUSTIN DRAUDE *STAFF WRITER*

The Wartburg volleyball team pulled off its upset of the year last Wednesday, knocking off No. 24 Coe in four games in Cedar Rapids.

The orange and black were led by middle hitters Ashley Rogers and Sheena Treanor, with 17 and 13 kills respectively. Outside hitter Kelsey Steffens also had 11 kills.

After starting off slow with a first-game loss, the Knights charged back and won three straight to take the match. Head coach Jennifer Walker said the team just needs to start more quickly.

"That was a big win for us, but we made too many errors the first game," Walker said.

The Wartburg defense dug up 101 Coe attacks during the course of the match, and Walker said the Knights' defense had a phenomenal night.

"We got bigger blocks, and their athletes kind of stopped playing," Walker said.

The Iowa Conference tournament is only 10 days away, but Walker says the tournament hasn't entered her team's mind.

"Right now we're really focusing on one match at a time," Walker said. "We're looking at this as our new season, and we're looking to go 4-0."

Those hopes were dashed during the weekend at the Bethel Triangular, where the Knights fell victim to a 3-0 sweep at the hands of host Bethel, followed by a 3-1 loss to Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

Wartburg visits Storm Lake tonight to take on Buena Vista and heads to the Wisconsin-Whitewater Invitational this weekend before finishing the regular season at home on Oct. 31 against Cornell.

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Soccer unbeaten in 15 straight

Knights clinch share of IIAC title and remain undefeated in conference play

ABBY SHOWALTER *SPORTS EDITOR*

The No. 9 nationally-ranked men's soccer team looks to cap their conference season with a win against Central Saturday.

The Knights have already clinched a share of the regular season IIAC title, but a win will put Wartburg alone in first and leave them as the only undefeated team in conference play.

Some of the men have a bad taste in their mouth from an overtime loss against Central last year, and Head Coach Jim Conlon thinks his team will be ready to go this year.

"We're in a very good situation in the Iowa Conference right now," Conlon said. "Central was first in preseason rankings and will be a difficult team to play. We need to make sure we play to our assets and we can't afford to lose if we want to get the regional rankings we hope to get in the postseason."

"I know we're prepared this year and hopefully the team will get after it and stay focused in practice this week," midfielder Joe Hoeksema said.

Wartburg carries momentum heading into Saturday's game after beating Cornell last Tuesday 5-0 and winning a non-conference game against Macalester College (Minn.) Thursday night 2-1.

Forward Harrison Kibombo-Lugujjo tallied three goals on the week, including both goals against the Scots Thursday. He now leads the conference with 23 and was named IIAC male athlete of the week.

The Knights struck first Thursday with Hoeksema assisting on a Kibombo-Lugujjo goal early in the first half. Macalester worked their way back into the game as the result of a defensive own goal by the Knights.

Wartburg scored again as Kibombo-Lugujjo finished a shot attempt by Byung Yi.

"We played a good game, but we should have beaten them by more than a goal," Hoeksema said. "We let them into the game and then couldn't finish our opportunities."

Wartburg held a 34-1 shot advantage over the Rams Tuesday, but didn't put the ball in the back of the net until the second half when midfielder Casey Johnson got things started. Kibombo-Lugujjo, forward Luke McClyman and midfielders Matt Haager and Tim Meyer added the other goals for the Knights.

"Going 2-0 this week was big for us clinching up 7-0 in the IIAC against Cornell," Conlon said.

Wartburg plays Central Saturday in a 3 p.m. game at the Waverly Soccer Complex.

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Wartburg defender Robert Acosta kicks the ball past an attacking Macalester defender Thursday.

Knights down Coe in sloppy conditions

Wartburg tops Kohawks with defense; second in IIAC standings

Mark Adkins/*Courtesy Photo*

Running back Dan Hammes rushes into the endzone Saturday.

LUKE SHANNO
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

A muddy 10-7 win over No. 24-ranked Coe in Cedar Rapids puts the Wartburg football team in second place outright in IIAC standings and in good position for a run at the Iowa Conference championship.

"The win kept us right in the hunt for the Iowa Conference championship," Head Coach Eric Koehler said. "We are continuing to put pressure on Central right now.

Both teams were limited to one-dimension of offense as the rain rendered the passing game ineffective.

"If the field is dry, maybe things are different for them and for us," Koehler said. "The bottom line is we went down there on the same field as they did and we found a way to win."

Wartburg running back Dan Hammes led the rushing attack with 96 yards, four yards short of his fifth straight 100-yard rushing game, and he scored the only Wartburg touchdown.

Defense and special teams were the big contributing factors in the win Saturday.

"The difference in that game was our defense holding them in check...and our punter," Koehler said. Punter Stevan Kingery pinned the Kohwaks in tough field positions with well-placed punts in the second half.

Wartburg drew first blood on the scoreboard when Hammes rushed the ball eight yards into the endzone with about 10 minutes left in the first half.

The touchdown came after defensive back Nick Noble forced a fumble and returned it 27 yards to the Coe 11-yard line.

The Kohawks took only 54 seconds to respond to the Wartburg score. Coe running back Ashton Northern scampered 65 yards past the Knights defense for a touchdown. The score stayed

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Women go up in IIAC

MAC SLAVIN *STAFF WRITER*

After victories against Cornell and UW-Stout this week, the Wartburg women's soccer team is hoping to keep their four game winning streak alive going into their final regular season match.

The Knight's held strong in a cold game against the UW-Stout Blue Devils Sunday as they picked up a 4-1 win. The Knights out-shot the Blue Devils 27-8 in the contest.

After a pass from Kristin Beck, forward Erinn North converted for the first goal of the game. The second goal came from Katie Krei off a Kari Kroikowski pass.

Stout scored their lone goal late in the first half.

The Knights' third goal of the game came in the second half off the foot of Ronnie Aguilar. Beck had another assist as Rachel Oswald scored the fourth goal of the game off her pass.

"Under any condition our players can play as a team

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